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Ms. STEFANIK. (During the reading.) Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to dispense with the reading.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ELECTING MEMBERS TO CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND RANKING A MEMBER ON A CERTAIN STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. AGUILAR. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Democratic Caucus, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 71

Resolved, That the following named Members be, and are hereby, elected to the following standing committees of the House of Representatives:

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY: Ms. Lofgren, Ms. Jackson Lee, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Johnson of Georgia, Mr. Schiff, Mr. Cicilline, Mr. Swalwell, Mr. Lieu, Ms. Jayapal, Mr. Correa, Ms. Scanlon, Mr. Neguse, Mrs. McBath, Ms. Dean of Pennsylvania, Ms. Escobar, Ms. Ross, Ms. Bush, Mr. Ivey.

COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY: Ms. Norton, Mr. Lynch, Mr. Connolly, Mr. Krishnamoorthi, Mr. Khanna, Mr. Mfume, Ms. Ocasio-Cortez, Ms. Porter, Ms. Bush, Mr. Gomez, Ms. Brown, Ms. Stansbury, Mr. Robert Garcia of California, Mr. Frost, Ms. Balint, Ms. Lee of Pennsylvania, Mr. Casar, Ms. Crockett, Mr. Goldman of New York, Mr. Moskowitz.

Resolved, That the following named Member be, and is hereby, ranked as follows on the following standing committee of the House of Representatives:

COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL SERVICES: Mr. Torres of New York (to rank immediately after Ms. Tlaib).

Mr. AGUILAR (during the reading). Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be considered as read.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

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APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE UNITED STATES GROUP OF THE NATO PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's ap-

pointment, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 1928a and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members on the part of the House to the United States Group of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly:

Mr. GUTHRIE of Kentucky
Mr. DUNN of Florida
Mr. BERGMAN of Michigan
Mrs. WAGNER of Missouri
Mr. FITZPATRICK of Pennsylvania
Mr. MCCORMICK of Georgia

HONORING THE LIFE OF DICK FLOOD

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the life of Dick Flood, or as many residents of the First District knew him, "Okefenokee Joe."

Flood was a singer, songwriter, entertainer, environmentalist, and in the south of Georgia, a local legend.

Okefenokee Joe lived in the Okefenokee Swamp for 10 years, learning firsthand about plants and animals in the area. He was well known to Georgia public broadcast viewers for his 1988 documentary, "The Joy of Snakes."

Flood also hosted the Emmy Award-winning Georgia Public Broadcast Television documentary, "Swampwise."

In the 1950s and 1960s, he wrote numerous songs for popular country music musicians.

This loss will be felt by all of us in the First District, and particularly for those that live in and around the Okefenokee Swamp.

On a personal note, when I was dating my wife, we went to see Okefenokee Joe at the Okefenokee Swamp, and I will never forget that.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Mr. Flood's family.

REPUBLICAN PLANS TO ENACT A 30 PERCENT SALES TAX

(Mr. PAYNE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to criticize the Republican plan to enact a 30 percent sales tax. This move would cost American families millions of dollars with higher prices for food and household necessities, and it would provide millions to the already wealthiest 1 percent of Americans.

Remember when many of these House Republicans were running for office? They claimed to make inflation and other economic factors their number one priority. Instead, their priority has been to make it easier to mislead the American people, stock committees with people who want to overthrow the country and increase prices on everything from gasoline to groceries to punish working-class Americans.

Thankfully, we have a Democratic Senate to shut down these abuses of power and protect the American people.

RECOGNIZING VOLUNTEERS FOR THE YMCA OF CENTRE COUNTY'S ANTI-HUNGER PROGRAM

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Alpha Fire Company in State College and the Logan Fire Company in Bellefonte as well as their volunteers who collected community donations for the YMCA of Centre County's Anti-Hunger Program.

Mr. Speaker, these volunteers collected community donations of shelf-stable food totaling more than 24,000 pounds during a 4-hour "Canuary Food Drive" on Saturday at four Centre County Weis Markets locations.

Neighbors helping neighbors strengthens our community. As we continue to see rising food costs and record inflation, more and more families are turning to local food banks for food assistance.

The idea of "Canuary" started at the Port Matilda Elementary School but quickly became a large-scale community effort as volunteers from all over the area started offering to help.

Mr. Speaker, as someone who served for decades as a volunteer firefighter, I am happy to see the support they continue to provide to the community.

The "Canuary" Food Drive will aid in the effort and continues through the remainder of the month, with many churches, businesses, schools, offices, and student groups participating.

Congratulations on a successful weekend food drive.

IN MEMORY OF HILDA BEATRICE MACFARLAND

(Mr. VARGAS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. VARGAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Hilda Beatrice MacFarland.

Hilda was born in National City, California, in 1949. She was a pioneer and a trailblazing woman in the 1970s when the Mexican-American community was still relying on demonstration politics.

Hilda worked for Housing and Urban Development, and she managed the senior citizen building Horton House in San Diego. She was heavily involved with countless nonprofit organizations where she fought for the poor, working-class, and elderly rights in the county.

In 1976, Hilda was the first major contributor to La Gloria Infantil Orphanage in Tijuana, Mexico, and spent her entire life providing services to the orphanage.